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Hearing on acupuncture rules canceled

DES MOINES, IA - A public hearing scheduled for 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 29, 2015, to receive comments on proposed amendments to Iowa's administrative rules on the practice of acupuncture has been canceled.

The Board of Medicine on December 10 voted to terminate the rulemaking process pending further review of the proposed amendments, which were published as ARC2298C in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on December 9.

The proposed amendments would have updated requirements for licensure, renewal and reinstatement; provided more definitions of terms associated with the practice of acupuncture; revised requirements for the display, distribution and retention of a disclosure sheet which contains information for patients; and established requirements for the delegation of certain aspects of treatment.

The Board has directed staff to review the proposed amendments and to present any revisions for consideration of rulemaking at the Board's teleconference meeting on January 14.